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1. U.S. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE OFFICIALS CLINTON MORRISON AND JOHN CALDWELL PROCEEDING ON MIDDLE EAST/NORTH AFRICA VISIT AUGUST 16-SEPTEMBER 3. ONLY CHANGE FROM ITINERARY CONTAINED IN STATE 175235 ADVANCES JIDDA VISIT TO PRECEDE THAT TO RIYADH. PRIOR TO DEPARTURE, THEY MET MORNING OF AUGUST 16 WITH DEPUTY SECRETARY, AND LATER WERE BRIEFED BY NEA DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY SOBER, COMMERCE REPRESENTATIVE AND NEA DESK OFFICERS. IN AFTERNOON, THEY MET WITH TREASURY SECRETARY SIMON AND ASSISTANT SECRETARY PARSKY.

2. FOR TEHRAN, KUWAIT, JIDDA, CAIRO AND ALGIERS: REQUEST INFORMATION ON APPOINTMENTS AND EMBASSY CONTACTS FOR VISITORS BE CABLE TO POSTS EARLIER ON ITINERARY WITH INFORMATION COPY TO DEPARTMENT.

3. FOR BEIRUT: VISITORS APPRECIATE APPOINTMENT ARRANGED WITH DR. DAJANI. WILL MEET HIM 1030 HOURS, AUGUST 18, AT PHOENICIA. ALSO LOOK FORWARD TO MEETING WARING; SUGGEST 0900 HOURS AT PHOENICIA IF CONVENIENT.

4. FOR TEHRAN: MORRISON AND CALDWELL APPRECIATE EMBASSY ADVICE ON TIMING OF VISIT BUT PROCEEDING ON SCHEDULE SINCE THEY HAVE CONFIRMED HOTEL RESERVATIONS AUGUST 20-23 AT INTERCONTINENTAL. ALSO, WITH AID IRAN-AMERICAN CHAMBER, THEY HAVE ARRANGED MEETING FOR 1100 HOURS, AUGUST 21 AT IRANIAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE WITH ITS PRESIDENT ZIAI. APPRECIATE WHATEVER ASSISTANCE WITH FURTHER APPOINTMENTS EMBASSY ABLE TO RENDER.

5. FOR JIDDA: VISITORS AS WELL AS DEPARTMENT SENSITIVE TO NECESSITY IN SAUDI ARABIE FOR PRIORITY ATTENTION TO EFFORTS DIRECTLY LINKED TO BILATERAL ECONOMIC COMMISSION. NEITHER VISITORS NOR DEPARTMENT ASKING EMBASSY TO PUCH QUADRILATERAL CONFERENCE, NOR ASK MORE ASSISTANCE THAN APPROPRIATE IN SECURING INTERVIEWS FOR REPRESENTATIVES OF MAJOR BUSINESS GROUPS. (EFFORTS OUTLINED PARA 2 YOUR REFTEL SHOULD BE ADEQUATE.) VISITORS ALSO AWARE SAUDI PROBLEMS OF TIME AND ATTENTION AND THAT QUADRILATERAL CONFERENCE, LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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AS PRIVATE INITIATIVE, IS CONCEPT THEY THEMSELEVES MUST SELL.

6. IN CONVERSATIONS AUGUST 16, WE REITERATED OUR DESIRES TO GIVE FULL ENCOURAGEMENT, BEST ADVICE AND ALL FEASIBLE SUPPORT TO US BUSINESS INITIATIVES IN MIDDLE EAST. IN THIS CONTEXT, WE VIEWED PRIVATE PROPOSAL FOR QUADRILATERAL CONFERENCE AS NOT INCONSISTENT WITH USG EMPHASIS ON BILATERAL ARRANGEMENTS. FOR THEIR PART, MORRISON AND CALDWELL STRESSED DESIRE TO SUPPORT, NOT UNDERCUT, USG

EFFORTS SUCH AS JOINT COMMISSION WITH SAUDI ARABIE. THEY MADE CLEAR THEY WOULD WELCOME YOUR GUIDANCE IN THIS REGARD. FOR THIS REASON, MORRISON AND CALDWELL REVISING ITINERARY TO VISIT JIDDA AUGUST 25 FOR EMBASSY BRIEFING PRIOR TO SAUDI INTERVIEWS AND RIYADH VISIT. (THEY WILL CABLE YOU DETAILS OF REVISED ITINERARY.)

7. FYI: CHAMBER INFORMALLY EXPLORING WITH STATE AND TREASURY POSSIBLE COMPLEMENTARY ROLE WITH BILATERAL COMMISSION AS SUGGESTED PARA 5 YOUR REFTEL. WHILE WE HAVE YET TO MAKE DECISIONS ON STRUCTURE FOR BUSINESS COUNCIL, MORRISON IN ROLE AS CHAMBER VICE-CHAIRMAN (AND CHAIRMAN DESIGNATE) SPEAKS FOR BROAD CONSTITUENCY WHICH WE WILL WISH TO CALL UPON TO PLAY MAJOR ROLE IN SUCH AN ARRANGEMENT. (AT SEPTEMBER MEETING OF JOINT WORKING GROUP ON INDUSTRIALIZATION, CHAMBER LIKELY WILL ASSIST IN PRESENTATION ON ROLE US PRIVATE SECTOR READY TO PLAY IN SAUDI INDUSTRIALIZATION AND DIVERSIFICATION.) KISSINGER

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